

**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS FOR: OPTICAL DEVICE,
METHOD FOR CLEANING THE SAME, PROJECTION
ALIGNER, AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME**

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3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets **[7]**

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a. ☐ Newly executed (original)

b. ☒ Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed).

i. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application,
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. ☒ Incorporation by reference (useable if box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is
supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying
application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy

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c. ☐ Statement Verifying identity of above copies

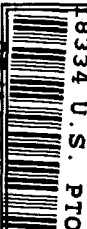
ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. ☒ Assignment to Nikon Corporation, Tokyo, Japan [Name, city and country] has been recorded at Reel
010458, Frame 0142 on December 10, 1999. **Please publish the assignee data with the application.**

9. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney



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10. ☐ English translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
14. ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed.
15. ☒ Claim for Convention Priority ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document
- a. Priority of **PCT** application no. **152695/1997** filed on **June 10, 1997** is claimed under 35 USC 119.
The certified copy have been filed in prior application Serial No. 09/458,807. (For Continuing Applications, if applicable).
16. ☐ Other _____
17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:
- ☒ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application no. 09/919,924
- a. ☒ Please amend the specification by inserting after the title: --This application is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 09/919,924 filed August 2, 2001; which is a division of prior application Serial No. 09/458,807 filed on December 10, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,288,769; which is a continuation of international application PCT/JP98/02536 filed on June 9, 1998. --.
- b. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-49 and 60-75 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

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